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## RESIDENTIAL FIRE

## 1410 Preston Street

**MEMPHIS, TN** - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a house fire at 1410 Preston Street, Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 12:12 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighter operations began immediately.

Fourteen (14) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately thirty-one (31) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Division Chief D. Atkins the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 12:36 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage estimates have not been determined at this time. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be careless use of smoking materials in the bedroom. Red Cross provided assistance for three adults.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** on-line at: <a href="https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/">https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/</a> or call the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial (901) 458-8281.